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For: Method and Apparatus for Producing Samples from Mainly Granular and

**Dry Material** 

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## **Amendment**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated 16 June 2003, please enter the following amendment:

In the Specification:

Page 2, line 15: after "laboratory" enter -. This- and delete "not only";

page 4, line 6: after "method" insert -and-;

line 11: after "and" insert -an-;

line 14: after "and" insert -an-:

page 5, line 8: delete "that" (second occurrence);

line 25: change "it" to -the ash-;

page 6, line 13: change "be" to -by-;

page 7, line 4: delete "of";

line 8: change "reversible" to -reversibly-;

line 26: delete "defined" and after "compaction" insert -appropriate-;